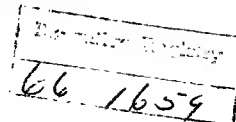


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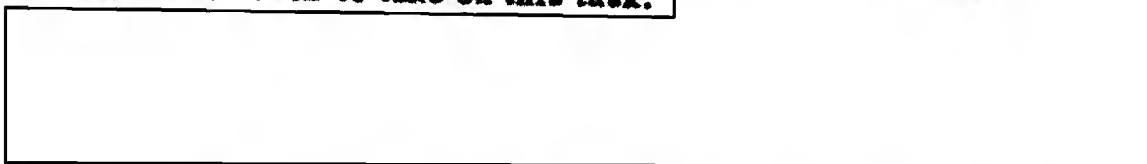
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**MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Science & Technology**

**SUBJECT : Interagency Chemical Warfare Group**

1. Pursuant to the DCI's desire, expressed at the Morning Meeting today, will you please take the lead in arranging for an interagency task force to examine the possibility of Communist introduction of chemical warfare agents or weapons into the fighting in Vietnam. The DCI believes that such a task force will be of benefit in keeping the community and others informed of current developments in this field as well as in providing collection guidance advice to improve the state of our information.

2. You may wish to arrange for the Scientific Intelligence Committee of USIB to take on this task.



3. Please prepare a plan for organizing and constituting the chemical warfare task force and submit it through me to the DCI by 20 April.

/s/ L. K. White

**L. K. White**  
**Executive Director-Comptroller**

cc: Deputy Director for Plans  
Deputy Director for Intelligence  
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